BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company for Authority to Implement Default CPP Rate Options For Large Customers.

Application 05-01-016 (Filed January 20, 2005)

Application of San Diego Gas & Electric Company (U902-E) for Adoption of a 2005 Default Critical Peak Pricing Structure for Commercial and Industrial Customers with Peak Demands Exceeding 300 kW.

Application 05-01-017 (Filed January 20, 2005)

Southern California Edison Company's (U338-E) Application for Approval of Rate Design Proposals for Large Customers.

Application 05-01-018 (Filed January 20, 2005)

TO: ALL PARTIES OF RECORD IN THE ABOVE-CAPTIONED PROCEEDINGS

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

The proposed decision of ALJ Michelle Cooke has been made available at http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/PUBLISHED/COMMENT_DECISION/54661.htm
on March 23, 2006. This decision declines to adopt the proposed settlements presented by the parties but instead identifies the Commission's preferred approach to critical peak pricing tariffs that allows for implementation of the settlement tariffs as voluntary rates, effective in Summer 2006, with conversion of all eligible customers to the critical peak pricing settlement tariffs, effective January 1, 2007. The preferred approach provides for bill protection for the first 12 months a customer is on the critical peak pricing tariff, at which point the customer can chose to convert to a standard time of use (TOU) rate. The preferred approach requires the utilities to provide all eligible customers with a bill analysis at the end of the 2006 critical peak period that reflects the customer's

actual usage during Summer 2006 under the adopted critical peak pricing rates (as compared to the otherwise applicable TOU rate), and the bill impacts if the customer were to reduce its critical peak period usage by 5, 10, and 20%. The Settling Parties have 20 days from the date of the proposed decision to notify the Commission whether they accept the modified terms which may be incorporated into comments on the proposed agenda. In the event that the Settling Parties do not accept the preferred terms, we will close the applications without adopting critical peak pricing rates, and direct the utilities to incorporate default critical peak pricing tariffs for all eligible customers 200 kilowatts and above into their next comprehensive rate design proceeding.

Any recipient of this Notice of Availability who is not receiving service by electronic mail in this proceeding or who is unable to access the link to the Commission's website given above may request a paper copy of the proposed decision from the Commission's Central Files Office, at (415) 703-2045; fax number (415) 703-2263; e-mail cen@cpuc.ca.gov.

The proposed decision will not appear on the Commission's agenda for at least 30 days after the date it is mailed. The Commission may act then, or it may postpone action until later. This matter was categorized as ratesetting and is subject to Pub. Util. Code § 1701.3(c). Pursuant to Resolution ALJ-180, a Ratesetting Deliberative Meeting (RDM) to consider this matter may be held upon the request of any Commissioner. If that occurs, the Commission will prepare and mail an agenda for the RDM 10 days before hand. When an RDM is held, there is a related ex parte communications prohibition period.

When the Commission acts on the proposed decision, it may adopt all or part of it as written, amend or modify it, or set it aside and prepare its own decision. Only when the Commission acts does the decision become binding on the parties.

Parties to the proceeding may file comments on the proposed decision as provided in Article 19 of the Commission's "Rules of Practice and Procedure," accessible on the Commission's website at www.cpuc.ca.gov. Pursuant to Rule 77.3 opening comments shall not exceed 15 pages.

Comments must be filed with the Commission's Docket Office. Comments should be served on parties to this proceeding in accordance with Rules 2.3 and 2.3.1. Electronic copies of comments should be sent to ALJ Cooke at mlc@cpuc.ca.gov. All parties must serve hard copies on the ALJ and the Assigned Commissioner, and for that purpose I suggest hand delivery, overnight mail or other expeditious methods of service. The current service list for this proceeding is available on the Commission's website, www.cpuc.ca.gov.

Dated March 23, 2006, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ ANGELA K. MINKIN by
J. A. Econome
Angela K. Minkin, Chief
Administrative Law Judge

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